FISCAL NOTE

HB 49 - SB 111

February 8, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes counties that have contracted with the Department of Environment and Conservation to operate a septic tank permitting program to require excavation of a septic tank for evaluation prior to issuing a license or permit for rebuilding.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Local Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Counties might incur increased expenditures to perform more thorough inspections and the number of inspections may increase.
- Counties might have reduced expenditures since there may be fewer inspections because more thorough inspections are performed during remodeling and rebuilding.
- Counties might have reduced expenditures if homeowners avoid paying for excavations by not reporting rebuilding or remodeling projects, however, they may be more willing to have sub-surface sewage systems inspected to avoid future system failures.
- Does not require counties to take action, but allows counties to require others to take action.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director